

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present amendment is responsive to the Official Action mailed July 16, 2002. A petition for a one-month extension of the term for response to said Official Action, to and including November 16, 2002, is transmitted herewith.


The Official Action was a final action. However, the only rejection stated in the Official Action was the § 112, first paragraph, rejection of claims 6, 12, 17, 23, 29 and 34. Numerous other claims were allowed. By the present amendment, all of the rejected claims have been cancelled. Accordingly, the present amendment constitutes a full and complete reply to the final Official Action. 37 C.F.R. § 1.113(c).

The indication in the Official Action that many claims are allowed is noted with appreciation. As all of the claims now pending in the application are allowable to applicant, it is respectfully submitted that this case is now in condition for declaration of an interference with U.S. Patent 5,950,070, as requested in previous communications.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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